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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF URUGUAY FOR
CATTLE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. During the 60 days prior to embarkation there have been no reported clinical cases of bluetongue, malignant catarrhal fever, Q fever, vesicular stomatitis, bovine viral diarrhea, or Aujeszky's disease, on the premises of origin.
2. The animals for exportation are free of clinical evidence of infectious, contagious, and parasitic diseases.
3. The animals for exportation were not vaccinated against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR) either with a killed vaccine within 60 days or with a modified live vaccine within 180 days prior to embarkation.
4. The animals for exportation were isolated from all other animals, from the time of commencement of testing until embarkation.
5. The owner has been instructed that the animals shall be moved from the isolation facility to the port of embarkation in cleaned and disinfected vehicles. (See Appendix).

TEST REQUIREMENTS

During the 30 days prior to embarkation the animals were negative to tests for the following diseases:

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal test using PPD tuberculin
2. Brucellosis: Serum agglutination test with less than 30 IU/ml (negative at 1:50 dilution) for officially vaccinated females over 18 months of age or bulls of any age; Officially vaccinated females less than 18 months of age do not require a test
3. Johne's disease: Complement fixation test at 1:8 dilution (Paratuberculosis)

4. Bovine vibriosis: Culture of vaginal or prepucial swab - virgin females or those bred artificially can be certified without testing
Animals that are naturally bred must be tested (by culture) a minimum of 4 times at weekly intervals
5. Trichomoniasis: Same as bovine vibriosis
6. Leptospirosis: Microtiter agglutination test at 1:400 dilution for L. pomona, L. hardjo, L. canicola, L. icterohaemorrhagiae, and L. grippotyphosa, OR;
Animals vaccinated for leptospirosis at least 20 days prior to embarkation with a killed vaccine can be certified without test OR; The animals were treated twice with dihydrostreptomycin (25mg/kg) 14 days apart (State dates of treatment and product used)
7. Vesicular stomatitis: Serum neutralization (SN) test at 1:8 dilution
8. IBR: SN test at 1:8 dilution, OR; Animals vaccinated with a killed vaccine at least 60 days prior to embarkation or with a modified live vaccine at least 180 days prior to embarkation
9. Bovine leukosis: Agar gel immunodiffusion (AGID) test; OR ELISA test
10. Bluetongue: AGID test

VACCINATIONS

1. IBR Vaccination: Animals may be vaccinated with a killed vaccine at least 60 days prior to embarkation or with a modified live vaccine at least 180 days prior to embarkation.
2. Leptospirosis Vaccination: Only with a killed virus vaccine for at least the types listed in Item 6 above and at least 20 days prior to embarkation.
3. Brucellosis Official Vaccination: With reduced dose strain 19 vaccine between 4 to 12 months of age. Vaccination date and tattoo must appear on the health certificate.

OTHER INFORMATION

The USDA's Area Veterinarian in Charge is authorized to extend the validity of the tests for up to 45 days if assurance by certification is given on the health certificate that the animals are isolated on the farm under the supervision of an USDA-accredited veterinarian and remained isolated until export.

EMBARKATION CERTIFICATION

At the port of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian shall attach to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate, the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) showing:

1. The name and address of the consignor.
2. The name and address of consignee.
3. The number and species of animals to be shipped.
4. A statement that the animals have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.

Owner's Declaration and Disinfection

I, _____ being the owner/or the agent for the animals described in this document, declare that:

I have been informed that the animals must be transported to the port of embarkation in cleaned and disinfected (C&D) vehicles. A C&D statement must accompany the shipment.

The vehicle license # _____, transporting animals to the port of embarkation for export to Uruguay, was cleaned and disinfected on _____ (date), using _____ (product), by _____ (name of applicator).

Signature of Owner: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Note: This declaration must be attached to the health certificate. This declaration will be kept at the port of embarkation.